

Amendments to the Specification:

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ABSTRACT

A sewable snap fastener constructed of resilient material for receiving stitches from a sewing process for detachably fastening together two opposing pieces of material. The sewable snap fastener comprising a socket member with a socket portion defining a receiving cavity and a cavity lip leading into the receiving cavity, and an integrally formed socket flange that extends outward from the socket portion to define a sewing region. The snap fastener further comprising an opposing stud member with a stud portion defining a projecting outer lip configured for engagement with the socket portion of the socket member, and an integrally formed stud flange that extends outward from the stud portion to define a sewing region. The snap fastener further ~~comprising channeling means~~ comprises a passage for reducing the build up of unwanted debris within the sewable snap fastener.